

North Fork Saline Project

Response to Comments

Central Arkansas Water – commented during scoping period

Comment: Concerns over water quality in relation to activities such as harvest, road building, herbicides.

Reply: The proposed action was changed to better protect water sources. The standard protection measures are designed to protect water quality and the environment. All actions will align with the agreement between USFS and CAW.

Comment: Need for monitoring.

Reply: USFS and CAW are able to work together to determine CAW's monitoring needs and if USFS can provide data and assistance.

Private citizen – commented during comment period

Comment: Does not want any tree harvesting in our national forests.

Reply: The USFS mission includes meeting the needs of present and future generations. One of the ways this is accomplished is in providing timber. We also ensure sustainable ecosystems, provide recreation, water, minerals, fish, wildlife, and Wilderness.